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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached PTO-1449 forms. A copy of the International Search Report was supplied, when this application entered the U.S. national phase.

The International Search Report indicates that GB 1 412 861, GB 2 020 318 and U.S. 5,034,016 are substantively cumulative English language counterparts of DE 2 209 143, DE 29 17 961 and EP 0 343 925. There is an English language abstract provided for EP 0 364 752.

Copies of the non-U.S. references (that do not have U.S. equivalents) and/or English language abstracts thereof as well as the articles are enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 forms.

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